

18. (new) An input device as recited in claim 17, wherein the pointing device comprises a wireless mouse.

19. (new) An input device as recited in claim 17, wherein the
5 pointing device comprises an optical mouse.

20. (new) An input device as recited in claim 17, wherein the pointing device is a mouse and further comprising a memory to store an image captured with the scanning device.
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21. (new) An input device as recited in claim 17, wherein the pointing device is a mouse having a switch configured to toggle between a first position in which the input device functions as the pointing device and a second position in which the input device functions as the scanning device.
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22. (new) An input device as recited in claim 17, wherein the input device is configured to activate scanning software in a computing device when the input device is configured as the scanning device.

23. (new) A system, comprising:

a computing device having a display and a processor;

an input device communicatively linked to the computing device to
operate as both a pointing device and a scanning device, the pointing device
5 being configured to generate an input to the processor and the processor being
configured to translate the input for rendering on the display; and

wherein the input device comprises a switch that has a first position in
which the input device functions as the pointing device and has a second
position in which the input device functions as the scanning device to scan an
10 image on an electronic page that is rendered on the display.

24. (new) A system as recited in claim 23, wherein the input device
further comprises a memory to store the image scanned from the electronic
page.

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25. (new) A system as recited in claim 23, wherein the input device
is configured to activate scanning software in the processor when the scanning
device is activated.

20 26. (new) A method, comprising:

positioning an indicator on a display corresponding to an input
generated with an input device functioning as a pointing device;

switching functionality of the input device from a pointing device to a
scanning device having a virtual scan mode; and

25 scanning an image that is a section of an electronic page rendered on the
display.